

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of	:	Customer Number: 20277
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Hideki MORIGUCHI, et al.	:	Confirmation Number: 8002
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Application No.: 10/587,178	:	Group Art Unit: 4132
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Filed: July 25, 2006	:	Examiner: Ronald Quinlan
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For: SURFACE-COATED CUTTING TOOL WITH COATED FILM HAVING STRENGTH DISTRIBUTION OF COMPRESSIVE STRESS		

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 17, 2009, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on October 17, 2009, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendment and remarks.